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Mountain Goat Hunting

AREA CLOSURE

In Unit 5 (A) that area between the Hubbard Glacier and the West Nunatak Glacier on the north and east sides of Nunatak Fjord.

Effective

August 1, 2005 through January 31, 2006

Due to a continuing decline in the Nunatak Fjord mountain goat herd, the USDA Forest Service, Yakutat Ranger District in conjuction with Alaska Department of Fish and Game and the USDI National Park Service, Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve, has approved a closure of the mountain goat subsistence hunting season on a portion of federal lands in Unit 5(A). The affected area is between the Hubbard Glacier and the West Nunatak Glacier on the north and east sides on Nunatak Fjord. This closure is effective immediately and will remain in place through January 31, 2006. This is in conjunction with the current closure under State regulations for registration permit RG170 that closes the state hunt in the same area. Rural residents may continue to harvest goats in the remainder of Unit 5(A) not affected by this closure.

For additional information, please contact the Yakutat Ranger District (907-784-3359), Alaska Department of Fish and Game Douglas Office (907-465-4267), The Office of Subsistence Management at 1-800-478-1456 or 907-786-3888. TTY users may call through the Federal Relay Service, 1-800-877-8339.

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